Application No. Applicant(s) 10/562 423 CREMERIUS, ROLF Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Essama Omgba 3726 - The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address-All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. This communication is responsive to the amendments filed December 1, 2009. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1,22,23,33,36,37 and 48.</u> 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) \square All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. \square Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. \(\subseteq\) Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: ____ Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the path or declaration is deficient. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) I including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date (b) \square including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No /Mail Date Identifying Indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application Interview Summary (PTO-413), 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) Paper No./Mail Date 20100216 Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08). Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 4. TExaminer's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material Other .

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Kristin Murphy on February 16, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims

Claim 1: line 8, "in the course of" has been changed to --during--,

line 10, "in the course of" has been changed to --during--, and "the axes of rotation (R) of" has been deleted,

line 11, --, about their axes of rotation (R),-- has been inserted after "movement"

Claims 25-32 and 38-47 have been canceled.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's arguments filed December 1, 2009 are persuasive, therefore the 35 U.S.C. 103 rejections in the case are hereby withdrawn. Specifically the examiner agrees with Applicant's argument that, regarding amended claim 1, the prior art does not teach a process of machining an outer joint part or an inner joint part of a constant velocity universal ball joint wherein during machining the outer joint part or the inner joint part is

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guided linearly in the direction of its respective longitudinal axis, and during machining, the disc tools are guided synchronously in a linear or pivoting movement about their axes of rotation relative to the respective longitudinal axis, these in combination with the rest of the limitations in the claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Essama Omgba whose telephone number is (571) 272-4532. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9-6:30, 1st Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Bryant can be reached on (571) 272-4526. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Essama Omgba/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3726

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